

any motor vehicle while in use as a public or common carrier of persons, nor shall any person drive such vehicle until he has been licensed as a chauffeur and received a special chauffeur's license, provided that the requirement of a special chauffeur's license shall not apply to operators of school buses.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency law and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety and having been passed upon by yea and nay vote, supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly of Maryland, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 5, 1945.

CHAPTER 563.

(House Bill 373)

AN ACT to add a new section to Article 48A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Insurance", sub-title "General Provisions", said new section to immediately follow Section 40 and to be known as Section 40A, the purpose of which is to relieve officers, directors and trustees of domestic insurers, including domestic mutual insurance companies, attorneys-in-fact for reciprocal exchanges or inter-insurers and Lloyds Associations, from liability for payment of taxes and fees imposed by statutes that may later be declared to be unconstitutional, and to provide a six-month limitation period with respect to any suit against any such officer, director or trustee, based upon any such payment made prior to the passage of this Act.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That a new section be and the same is hereby added to Article 48A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Insurance", sub-title "General Provisions", said new section to immediately follow Section 40 and to be known as Section 40A, and to read as follows:

40A. (Officers', Directors', etc., Liability Immunity.)

(a) No officer, director or trustee of any domestic insurer, including domestic mutual insurance companies, attorneys-in-fact for reciprocal exchanges, or inter-insurers, or Lloyds Associations, shall be subject to any personal liability by reason of any payment, or determination not to contest pay-